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VIETNAMESE SUMMARY SUPPLEMENT
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1. Madame Nhu told the Women's National Press Club yesterday that although she is pleased with her public reception she is not happy with her official reception. This prompted UPI to speculate that she wants some contact with the administration, which is studiously ignoring her. In this regard, she said: "I realize my trip is unofficial and I do not expect the red carpet. But even without the red carpet I believe there are hundreds of ways to meet a person in a friendly way."

2. The Women's National Press Club heard essentially the same things Madame Nhu has been talking about since her arrival in the US. A new element, however, was her implication that some administration officials are soft on Communism. Without being specific, she remarked that "certain Americans do not consider it the most important thing in the world to win the war against Communism" in Vietnam. She observed that there are some liberals in the administration "who are not yet red, but pink."

Madame Nhu also confessed a certain bafflement concerning Ambassador Lodge, who roundly criticized her recent soldier-of-fortune remark. She said that although she has yet to meet the ambassador, she understands that since going to Asia "he has become more mysterious than an Asian."

Madame Nhu also had a new explanation of her famous "barbecue" description of the self-immolation of Buddhist monks. This description, she said, is a result of indirect American advice. She said her daughter heard it originally from American servicemen in Saigon.

3. In addition to being cold-shouldered by the administration, Vietnam's First Lady is still getting a cool nonreception from her father, former ambassador Tran Van Chuong. Madame Nhu and her daughter made a dramatic but unsuccessful attempt to see him at his home yesterday. Her father, in New York yesterday and scheduled to return to Washington

today, insists that he will not see his daughter
"under any circumstances."

4. Today, Madame Nhu is to address a luncheon meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. She is scheduled to speak this evening at North Carolina State College, Raleigh.